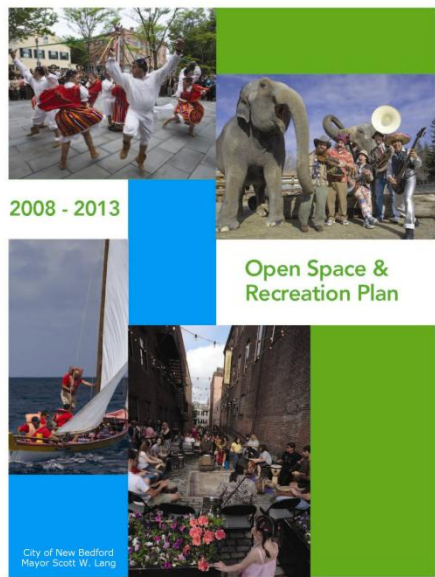
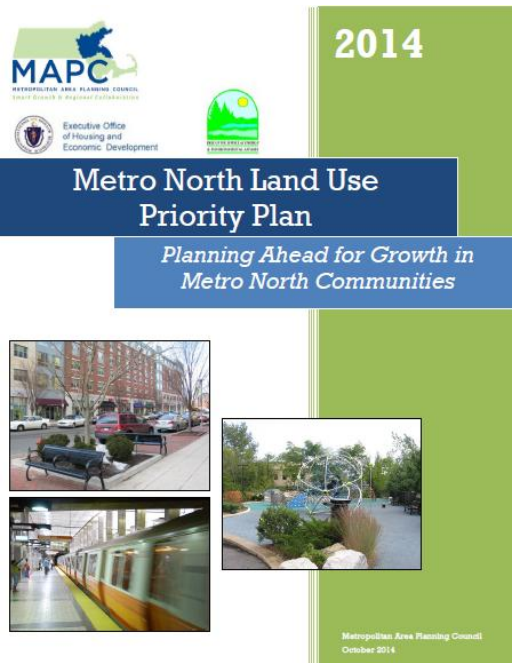


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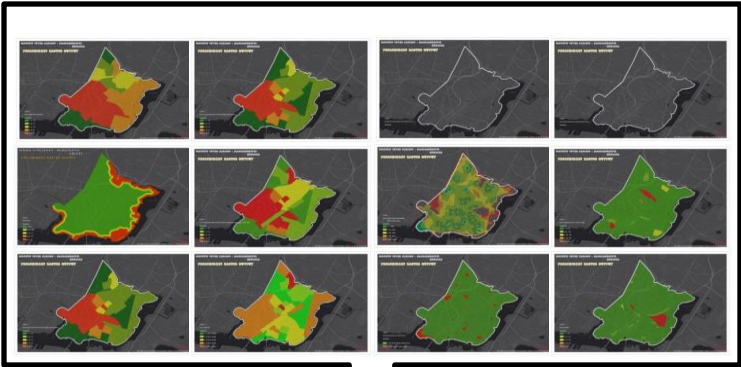
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Park Planning & Assessment Tool

- Local Open Space Priorities
- Local Priority Development Areas
- Social & Environmental Justice
- Public Health
- Aesthetics & Conservation
- Neighborhood Stability
- Recreational Diversity



Potential \$ Sources for Land Purchase, Design, & Improvement:

The PARC Program (Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities) Grants are available for the acquisition of land and the construction, restoration, or rehabilitation of land for park and outdoor recreation purposes, such as community gardens, tot lots, playfields, and game courts.

In the past three years, Somerville, Salisbury, Medford, and Haverhill have received grants to build community gardens as a part of a larger park renovation.

Eligibility: All cities and towns with more than 35,000 residents that have a park/recreation commission and Open Space and Recreation Plan

Amount: PARC Grants reimburse from 52-70% of project cost, up to \$400,000.

Deadline: July (annual program)

Details: Visit <http://www.mass.gov/eea/dcs-grants>

Contact: Melissa Cryan at Melissa.Cryan@state.ma.us or 617-626-1171

The Gateway City Parks Program (GCPP) helps improve park quality and advance park equity in urban communities by making targeted investments to provide park and recreational opportunities. The GCPP provides a flexible menu of funding options for all phases of park development.

The Gateway Program has funded 30+ projects that have included acquisitions, environmental clean-ups, park planning and assessment, design, construction, and other park expenditures. Community gardens were built in Fitchburg and Pittsfield.

Eligibility: Attleboro, Barnstable, Brockton, Chelsea, Chicopee, Everett, Fall River, Fitchburg, Haverhill, Holyoke, Lawrence, Leominster, Lowell, Lynn, Malden, Methuen, New Bedford, Peabody, Pittsfield, Quincy, Revere, Salem, Springfield, Taunton, Westfield, and Worcester.

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